



SIGNER OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

JOHN HART
1711 - 1779

The oldest of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. John Hart was a farmer in Hopewell and owner of grist and fulling mills. Hart was in the Provincial Assembly for ten years. In June of 1776 he was elected to the Continental Congress and in August he signed the Declaration of Independence. He was also elected Speaker of the first Assembly under the new State constitution.